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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Pascal PERRIAT et al.

Art Unit: 1645

Application No.: 10/591,465

Examiner: Not yet assigned

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 71247-0065

For: HYBRID NANOPARTICLES WITH Ln_2O_3 CORE AND CARRYING BIOLOGICAL LIGANDS, AND METHOD OF PREPARATION THEREOF (as amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated September 20, 2007 (copy enclosed), Applicants resubmit the Preliminary Amendment, filed with the initial application on September 1, 2006, now in proper format as set forth in 37 CFR 1.121 and 1.4.

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below.

Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.

Amendments to the claims are submitted on page 3.

Remarks are submitted on page 8.